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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-102, relative to allowing controlled admission of nonresidents of the state to Chattanooga State Technical Community College.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. It is the intention of the general assembly to benefit the students of Chattanooga State Technical Community College and the entire Chattanooga labor market area in the following way by enacting this legislation:

(1) The quality of the work force of the area will improve because of the further education and technical training of Chattanooga area residents since some of the students recruited under this act live in the suburban Chattanooga area and some will become employed in Tennessee after graduation.

(2) Tennessee students will be afforded the opportunity to benefit from course offerings which would otherwise not be available because low enrollments would cause them not to be offered or canceled.

(3) The quality of the overall student population will be enhanced by the selective recruitment of high achieving students.

(4) Chattanooga State Technical Community College will maximize its utilization of resources by filling spaces which would otherwise be vacant in these courses and will gain tuition revenue.

(5) Nonresidents of the state accommodated under this program will likely make purchases in Tennessee for food, gas, etc. which they would otherwise not make and thus will contribute to the local economy and to state tax collections.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-102, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(d) Chattanooga State Technical Community College may allow controlled admission of nonresidents of the state at the prevailing in-state maintenance fee subject to the following provisions:

(1) The only funds generated by these enrollments will be student maintenance fees;

(2) Such enrollments will be excluded from student count for state reimbursement purposes and will occur only in established course sections with vacant seats;

(3) Special registration will be held for such students following completion of open registration to ensure that no Tennessee resident loses priority opportunity to enroll;

(4) No additional faculty, staff, equipment and space will be necessitated or requested based on such enrollments;

(5) Nonresidents of the state targeted for such enrollment will be only those who are college prepared with a history of scholastic achievement, and

(6) In no case will the enrollment of nonresidents of the state under this act be allowed to cause displacement of Tennessee residents from college courses and/or programs.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1995, the public welfare requiring it.